

Typology of ENIC-NARIC centres

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Introduction

The SQUARE project (short for *System of Quality Assurance for the Recognition Networks*) aims to increase the visibility of the ENIC and NARIC networks and to strengthen their position as a stakeholder in the European Higher Education Area (EHEA). Within the SQUARE project, this typology has been developed to increase transparency regarding the roles and tasks of ENIC and NARIC centres. It gives a schematic overview of the activities of national ENIC and NARIC centres and the services they provide in their function as recognition centres. Making more visible what it is the national ENIC and NARIC centres do, and showing both the differences and the commonalities between them, can facilitate cooperation and exchange within the networks. In addition it can support the accessibility of the centres for external stakeholders, like higher education institutions, (international) students or employers.

Scope of the Typology

Before going to the Explanation of Terms, it should be noted that the typology is limited in the sense that it contains activities and services related to the function of ENICs and NARICs as recognition centres. Depending on national policy and the centre's position in the national higher education sector, the mandates of individual ENIC and NARIC centres in the EHEA may differ strongly. Therefore, in reality, many ENIC and NARIC centres have a broader playing field: some centres are also responsible for quality assurance of higher education institutions, they may be involved in lobby and advice on national legislation and/or they may provide support to higher education institutions in their international undertakings, etc. However, these additional roles and responsibilities are beyond the scope of this typology.

Explanation of Terms

This Explanation of Terms briefly explains the terms used in the schematic overview to describe the roles and tasks of national ENIC and NARIC centres in their function of recognition centres.

Legal status

Here the formal organisational standing of the ENIC-NARIC office is described:

- *Ministry* indicates that the ENIC-NARIC office is part of the Ministry responsible for higher education and functions either as a separate unit within the Ministry, or as an integral part of the Ministry (where ENIC-NARIC functions are assigned to staff alongside other tasks).
- An *Agency* is a public (government) body that operates under the auspices of the Ministry responsible for higher education, but is not a direct part of that Ministry.
- *Separate* organisations refer to ENIC-NARICs that are non-governmental organisations. Note, however, that even the separate organisations can be highly dependent on Ministry/government funding to finance their activities, and often are non-profit organisations.

Recognition policy

The extent to which ENIC-NARIC centres can organise and define their own recognition policy and procedures:

- *Autonomous* means that, within the overarching frameworks of the Lisbon Recognition Convention and national legislation, the centre has the freedom to develop its own policies on the way recognition decisions are taken and communicated.
- *Partly regulated* means that the centre has to abide to restrictive external regulations, but does have a mandate of its own to develop policies on the way recognition decisions are taken and communicated.
- *Fully regulated* means that the centre implements policies that are developed elsewhere (e.g. at Ministry level, or within another ministerial department if the centre is part of the Ministry).

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Size

The size of a centre is measured according to the number of staff available (in full-time equivalent). This includes management, credential evaluators, financial and administrative support and/or project staff. If the ENIC-NARIC is part of a larger organisation (e.g. the Ministry of Education), only staff that is part of the international recognition department/involved in work processes related to international recognition, is taken into account. We distinguish 3 sizes:

- Small centres (1-5 fte)
- Medium size centres (6-10 fte)
- Large centres (>10 fte)

Status of the evaluation

Credential evaluations can be 'Advisory' or 'Legally binding':

- Advisory means that, in the last instance, Higher Education Institutions / employers / competent authorities are free to make their own recognition decision and do not have to abide by the judgement of the ENIC-NARIC centre.
- Legally binding means that the recognition decision of the ENIC-NARIC should be followed.
- Sometimes national legislation requires legally binding recognition of foreign degrees only for certain purposes (e.g. recognition decisions for regulated professions are legally binding, whereas recognition for further study is merely advisory). In the typology this is labelled 'Advisory & Legally binding', and these two categories are added to the entry 'Purpose of the evaluation' (see below).
- No evaluations: A limited number of ENIC-NARIC centres does not evaluate credentials at all. They often provide general information on recognition of foreign degrees and (foreign) education systems instead.

Purpose of the evaluation

- Further study: Access to further study in the country where the ENIC-NARIC centre is located.
- Regulated professions: Access to a profession which is restricted by national law to those holding specific qualifications. Each country determines its own national system of education and training, and identifies its own regulated professions and the specific pathways to pursuing the regulated professions.
- Employment: Access to employment in the country where the ENIC-NARIC centre is located and where no specific qualification is required by law.

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Applicants

- Individuals: The requests from individuals seeking evaluation and/or recognition of their foreign qualifications to gain access to further study or employment.
- Education institutions: The requests from higher education institutions to evaluate foreign qualifications of applicant students for access to further study.
- Employers: The requests from employers to evaluate foreign qualifications of new employees applying for a job.
- Authorities: The requests from Ministries, local authorities or competent authorities for regulated professions to evaluate foreign qualifications for access to regulated professions (or other services, such as the provision of visa/permits).

Services

- Online database: An online database containing information about the recognition of foreign qualifications and usually providing specific information per country/region. An online database can be used by applicants (prior to the admission procedure, to make a realistic estimation of the outcomes of the recognition decision) and/or by professional bodies like educational institutes or employers (to help them make their own recognition decisions). Some ENIC-NARIC centres have a database that is freely accessible for a general audience, whereas others provide access for higher education institutions and/or employers only and upon subscription.

N.B. Databases that allow ENIC-NARIC centres to keep track of recognition decisions of individual applicants are not taken into account here. Although they are a valuable instrument for internal quality assurance, the main aim of this entry is to assess the service delivery of the ENIC-NARIC centres to their external stakeholders.

- Training: The ENIC-NARIC centre offers training on topics related to recognition of foreign qualifications for admission officers at higher education institutions, public authorities and/or employers.
- Conferences/seminars: The ENIC-NARIC centre organises conferences and seminars on topics related to recognition of foreign qualifications.
- Projects/research: The ENIC-NARIC centre takes part in projects and research activities and/or issues publications on topics related to recognition of foreign degrees.

The Typology of ENIC-NARIC Centres

ALBANIA				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further Study (Adv. & L.b.)		Employment (Adv. & L.b.)	Regulated professions (Adv. & L.b.)
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

ANDORRA				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further Study (Adv. & L.b.)		Employment (Adv. & L.b.)	Regulated professions (Adv. & L.b.)
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

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ARMENIA				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further study (Adv. & L.b.)		Employment (Adv. & L.b.)	Regulated professions (Adv. & L.b.)
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

AUSTRALIA				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

AUSTRIA				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

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AZERBAIJAN				
○ <i>Legal Status</i>	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ <i>Recognition policy</i>	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ <i>Size</i>	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ <i>Status of the evaluation</i>	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ <i>Purpose of the evaluation</i>	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ <i>Applicants</i>	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ <i>Services</i>	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

BELARUS				
○ <i>Legal Status</i>	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ <i>Recognition policy</i>	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ <i>Size</i>	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ <i>Status of the evaluation</i>	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ <i>Purpose of the evaluation</i>	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ <i>Applicants</i>	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ <i>Services</i>	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

BELGIUM (FLANDERS)				
○ <i>Legal Status</i>	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ <i>Recognition policy</i>	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ <i>Size</i>	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ <i>Status of the evaluation</i>	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ <i>Purpose of the evaluation</i>	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ <i>Applicants</i>	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ <i>Services</i>	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

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BELGIUM (FRENCH COMMUNITY)				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA <i>Peer-review report available</i>				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

BULGARIA				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further study (Adv.)		Employment (L.b.)	Regulated professions (Adv.)
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

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CANADA				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

CROATIA				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

CYPRUS				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

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CZECH REPUBLIC				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

DENMARK				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further study (L.b.)		Employment (Adv.)	Regulated professions (L.b.)
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

ESTONIA				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

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FINLAND				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

FRANCE				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

GERMANY				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

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GEORGIA				
○ <i>Legal Status</i>	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ <i>Recognition policy</i>	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ <i>Size</i>	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ <i>Status of the evaluation</i>	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ <i>Purpose of the evaluation</i>	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ <i>Applicants</i>	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ <i>Services</i>	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

GREECE				
○ <i>Legal Status</i>	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ <i>Recognition policy</i>	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ <i>Size</i>	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ <i>Status of the evaluation</i>	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ <i>Purpose of the evaluation</i>	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ <i>Applicants</i>	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ <i>Services</i>	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

HOLY SEE				
○ <i>Legal Status</i>	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ <i>Recognition policy</i>	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ <i>Size</i>	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ <i>Status of the evaluation</i>	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ <i>Purpose of the evaluation</i>	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ <i>Applicants</i>	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ <i>Services</i>	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

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HUNGARY				
o Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
o Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
o Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
o Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
o Purpose of the evaluation	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
o Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
o Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

IRELAND				
o Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
o Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
o Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
o Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
o Purpose of the evaluation	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
o Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
o Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

ISRAEL				
Legal Status:	Ministry		Agency	Separate
Recognition policy:	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
Size:	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
Status of the evaluation:	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
Purpose of the evaluation:	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
Applicants:	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
Services:	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

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ITALY				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

LATVIA				
Legal Status:	Ministry		Agency	Seperate
Recognition policy:	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
Size:	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
Status of the evaluation:	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
Purpose of the evaluation:	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
Applicants:	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
Services:	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

KAZAKHSTAN				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

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LIECHTENSTEIN				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further study (mainly)		Employment	Regulated professions
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers (is not used in practice)	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

LITHUANIA				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

LUXEMBOURG				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

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FORMER YUGOSLAV REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA				
o Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
o Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
o Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
o Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
o Purpose of the evaluation	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
o Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
o Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

MALTA				
o Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
o Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
o Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
o Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
o Purpose of the evaluation	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
o Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
o Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA				
o Legal Status	Ministry of Education		Agency	Separate
o Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
o Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5) 2
o Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
o Purpose of the evaluation	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
o Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
o Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

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MONACO				
○ <i>Legal Status</i>	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ <i>Recognition policy</i>	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ <i>Size</i>	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ <i>Status of the evaluation</i>	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ <i>Purpose of the evaluation</i>	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ <i>Applicants</i>	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ <i>Services</i>	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

NETHERLANDS				
○ <i>Legal Status</i>	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ <i>Recognition policy</i>	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ <i>Size</i>	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ <i>Status of the evaluation</i>	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ <i>Purpose of the evaluation</i>	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ <i>Applicants</i>	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ <i>Services</i>	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

NEW ZEALAND				
○ <i>Legal Status</i>	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ <i>Recognition policy</i>	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ <i>Size</i>	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ <i>Status of the evaluation</i>	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ <i>Purpose of the evaluation</i>	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ <i>Applicants</i>	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ <i>Services</i>	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

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NORWAY				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further study (Adv.)		Employment (Adv. & L.b.)	Regulated professions (Adv.)
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

POLAND				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further study (L.b.)		Employment (Adv. & L.b.)	Regulated professions (Adv.)
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

PORTUGAL				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

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ROMANIA				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

RUSSIAN FEDERATION - GLAVEXPERTCENTER				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

RUSSIAN FEDERATION: National Information Center on Academic Recognition and Mobility				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

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SAN MARINO				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

SERBIA				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

SLOVAK REPUBLIC				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further study (Adv.)		Employment (Adv.)	Regulated professions (L.b.)
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

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SLOVENIA				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

SPAIN				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

SWEDEN				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

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SWITZERLAND				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

TURKEY: Data are currently not available due to changes legal framework

UKRAINE				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further Study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

UNITED KINGDOM				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA				
○ Legal Status	Ministry		Agency	Separate
○ Recognition policy	Autonomous		Partly regulated	Fully regulated
○ Size	Large (>10)		Medium (6-10)	Small (1-5)
○ Status of the evaluation	Advisory		Legally binding	No evaluations done
○ Purpose of the evaluation	Further study		Employment	Regulated professions
○ Applicants	Individuals	Education inst.	Employers	Authorities
○ Services	Online database	Training	Conferences/seminars	Projects/research